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For : DISPLAY DEVICE AND LUMINANCE CONTROL METHOD
THEREFOR

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicants hereby call to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

A copy of a Summons to Attend Oral Proceedings Pursuant to Rule 71 (1) EPC, that was mailed on March 1, 2004 in counterpart European Application No. 00957107.6 is enclosed, in which the following documents are cited:

(1) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 924 683 A2 and A3, which were published on June 23, 1999, together with an English language translation of the Abstract and claims of EP 0 924 683 A2;

(2) European Patent Application Publication No. 0 888 004 A2 and A3, which were published on December 30, 1998;

(3) International Patent Application Publication No. WO 99/30308, which was published on June 17, 1999;

(4) International Patent Application Publication No. WO 99/30309, which was published on June 17, 1999; and

(5) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 930 603 A2 and A3, which were published on July 21, 1999, together with an English language translation of the Abstract and claims of EP 0 930 603 A2.

A copy of a Summons to Attend Oral Proceedings Pursuant to Rule 71 (1) EPC, that was mailed in related European Application No. 01121824.5 on March 1, 2004 is enclosed, in which documents (1) to (5), above, are cited therein;

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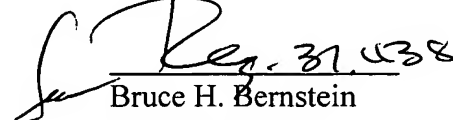
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached hereto and are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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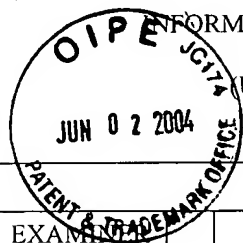
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		1	English Language Abstract of EP 0924683.
		2	English Language Abstract of EP 0888004.
		3	English Language Abstract of EP 0930603.

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